



Editor's Corner

Cassette Counters: The NAVA Technical Standards Committee and PH7-4 Compact Cassettes are working on the definition of standards for cassette counters which would enable the user to find rapidly any section of the recorded program. The proposal, at present, seems to be that the counter be operated by the feed spindle and that the ratio be of 2 revolutions to 1 count. (Dukane, Newcomb, Bell & Howell are now using a 2x ratio, 3M Wollensak is using 1.7x.)

Used equipment: Professional quality used, cassette and reel to reel duplicating equipment and endless loop cartridge units are being sold by: Alan Saunders, Multi Meida Programs, Old Boston Road, Wilton, Conn. 06897.

Spanish Film: International Film Bureau has announced a new film, *Fiesta de San Fermin*. "This film shown the exciting activities of a typical day during the festival in July." The film may be bought or rented.

Functional Language Training: The March 1975 issue of *Training* contains an interesting article, "Functional Language Training". The article describes a language instruction program in a New York hospital that is aimed at helping the staff communicate with the non-English speaking community. The stress in this program is vocabulary which is directly related to a hospital worker.

Multi-Channel Spanish Instruction: A progress report on American University's experimental Spanish program indicates that the program has been most successful. The program, which was made possible by a grant from Exxon, uses video and audio tapes and emphasizes complete integration with the language laboratory. *FL Annals*, March 1975.

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